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DUAL DELIVERY -- Alitalia and Iberia Air Lines of Spain take delivery of Series 30 long-range DC-10s in ceremony at Douglas Aircraft Company division of McDonnell Douglas at Long Beach, California. Two international carriers are the first members of the ATLAS group of European airlines to receive the wide-cabin tri-jets. The two DC-10s each will carry 252 passengers in first class and coach sections in the almost 19-foot-wide (5.79 m.) fuselage. Both have a range of about 6000 miles (9656 km) with a full load of passengers and their baggage. Three General Electric CF6-50 turbofan engines, each producing about 50,000 pounds (22,680 kg) of thrust, power the pair of jetliners. DC-10 is Iberia's first and Alitalia's second. Initial Alitalia aircraft is assigned to a crew training program in Arizona. In photo, Federico Norena Escheverria, vice president of the Iberia board of directors, is at the microphone. Captain Gion Mario Zuccarini, co-general manager of Alitalia, accepted the DC-10 for the Italian carrier.